

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	Examiner:	Ewart, James D.
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Dennis Mendiola et al.	)	Art Unit:	2683
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Application No:	09/846,377	)	Confirmation no.: 3927
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Filing Date:	05/02/2001	)	RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION
	)		DATED: 07/10/2006
For: <i>Method and System for Inviting and</i>	)		
<i>Creating Accounts for Prospective</i>	)		
<i>Users of an Instant Messaging System)</i>		Customer No.:	24943

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AMENDMENT

Mail Stop RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated July 10, 2006, hereinafter, "the Office Action." Accompanying this amendment is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), if the finality of this Office Action is maintained. The Application is believed by Applicant to be in proper condition for allowance. Accordingly, reconsideration and allowance of all claims are respectfully requested. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specifications** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 3 of this paper.

**Remark/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.